

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: IMPORT PERMIT PROCESSING FOR LIBERALIZED COMMODITIES

REF: MADRID 4785

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED NEW COMMERCE MINISTRY ORDER ON PROCEDURES FOR PORCESSING IMPORT PERMITS WITH DIRGEN FOR COMMERCIAL POLICY (JULIA DIEZ DE RIVERA) ON JUNE 30. JULIA SAID THAT IN RESPONSE TO A BARRAGE OF COMPLAINTS THAT UNUSUALLY LOW PRICE OF SOME IMPORTS ARE DAMAGING SPANISH INDUSTRY, COMMERCE MINISTRY IS PRESENTLY IN PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING LIBERALIZED COMMODITES WARRANTING MORE DETAILED APPRAISAL OF EFFECT ON LOCAL MARKET BEFORE ISSUING IMPORT LICENSES. WHEN SENSITIVE PRODUCTS ARE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED, GOS WILL INITIATE POLICY SIMILAR TO THAT APPLIED IN FRANCE OF ARRPAISING IMPACT OF IMPORTS OF THOSE PRODUCTS ON LOCAL MARKET BEFORE ISSUING IMPORT PERMIT.

2. COMMERCE MINISTRY DIRECTOR GENERAL CITED "NORMAL" GOVERNMENT REACTION TO INDUSTRY COMPLAINTS OF UNFAIR COMPETITION AS MOTIVE FOR INCREASED IMPORT VIGILANCE.  
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ADDITIONAL REASONS ARE GOS CONCERN OVER CONTINUING LARGE TRADE AND CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICITS DESPITE IMPROVED EXPORT PERFORMANCE, AND IRRITATION OVER EC LIMITATIONS ON IMPORTS OF SPANISH STEEL.STABLER

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